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Sarah-Quita Offringa proves she is the fastest woman on the water



Slalom Winner Sarah Quita Offringa



PWA photo of Sarah Quita by John Carter

White House asked YouTube to review anti-Muslim video

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The White House said yesterday it had contacted video sharing website YouTube to ask for a review of an anti-Muslim movie that sparked riots and attacks on US diplomatic posts in the Arab World.

National Security Council spokesman Tommy Vietor said that officials "reached out to YouTube to call the video to their attention and ask them to review whether it violates their terms of use."

On Wednesday, the Google-owned site said the film, "Innocence of Muslims," was within the firm's guidelines and would not be taken down, though access to it was temporarily restricted in Egypt and Libya.

Access to the movie was blocked in Pakistan and Afghanistan and Indonesia has called for it to be removed from YouTube.

Extracts of the film were still available on YouTube yesterday, though were accompanied by a warning that the content was "potentially offensive or inappropriate," adding that viewer discretion was advised.

Meanwhile, bomb scares led to thousands of students and university staff in Texas

and North Dakota being ordered off campus yesterday, though no suspicious devices went off following the emergency evacuations.

A spokeswoman for The University of Texas at Austin said a man with a Middle Eastern accent telephoned its offices at 8:35am, and issued the threat. He said he was with Al-Qaeda and that bombs would go off across campus in 90 minutes. But the 90-minute deadline passed without incident and the university said in a statement posted on its website that normal operations resumed at 5:00 pm, though all Friday classes were canceled.

Local and national law enforcement agencies are investigating the bomb scare.

Separately, North Dakota State University ordered all students and employees to leave campus by 10:15 am after it also received a bomb threat. However, university police reopened the campus at 1:00 pm.

Neither university disclosed if the bomb threats were possibly related to anti-US sentiment over an anti-Islam film that has provoked fatal violence and protests in Muslim countries in northern Africa and the Middle East this week.

On September 4, Aruba's own Sarah-Quita Offringa demonstrated during the final elimination rounds at the Professional Windsurfing Association (PWA) World Cup in Alacati, Turkey, that she an all-around champion in not only Freestyle, but Slalom, and what some sportscasters described as **"The Fastest Woman on the Water."**

Sarah-Quita had already successfully defended her title as PWA Women's World Freestyle Champion, claiming the crown for the 5th consecutive year. She had also won PWA Women's World Champion in Slalom in 2011, proving to be that rare double-threat and all around athlete.

In 2011, she had dedicated a year to the sport after graduating high school on Aruba. This past school year, however, she began studies at University of Utrecht in Science and Innovation Management, presenting focusing on Sustainable Development and Organizational Networks. She is very enthusiastic about her studies, which conflicted with the PWA competition circuit.

To be eligible for world champion status, windsurfers must compete in a minimal number of competitions to

earn the points to win the crown. Sarah-Quita successfully defended her Women's World Champion Freestyle title, again winning the top spot on July 29 at the So-tavento Fuerteventura World Cup in Spain.

However, she is putting her studies first, and retaining the slalom title would have interfered. She did participate in slalom competition in Alacati, leaving the pack way behind during the final eliminations. From the starting gun, Sarah-Quita dominated the field, shooting past all the others to maintain an insurmountable lead, leaving them to jockey for the second and third place

positions. Final results in Alacati had Valerie Arrighetti claim second place, to be named PWA Women's World Champion 2012.

This year, with windsurfing a competition in the Olympic World Games for the first time, many expected Sarah-Quita to compete on behalf of Aruba. "It is not quite as simple as many would think," explains her mother, Esther. "Windsurfing Olympic discipline is RS:X, a design that is completely different to what SQ does "freestyle" and "slalom," which is not one design where everyone is competing on the same equipment.

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L.G. Smith Boulevard partially closed for last phase of rails installation



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To be able to perform the construction and guarantee the safety of the workers, the north lane of the L.G. Smith Boulevard has been partially closed, from Orouba Plaza (bus station) until the entrance of the little wharf.

MNO, the contractor in charge of the construction works, will first work on one side of the road and then on the other side. This way the flow of traffic will not be obstructed totally. The construction works are scheduled to last 2 weeks.

Meanwhile, motorists coming from Havenstraat eastbound, must cross right after the Royal Plaza and turn right, direction Weststraat, take a left turn into Rancho direction the small roundabout and then turn into the Paardenbaaistraat to get back on the L.G. Smith Boulevard.

Aruba now boasts 12 specially trained police dogs



On Tuesday, 6 specially trained dogs arrived here by KLM accompanied by two Aruban dog trainers. The Minister of Justice was present to receive these dogs at the airport. On Wednesday one more dog arrived.

Among the special dogs, there are dogs for vigilance to control group gatherings that would contribute to the security on the streets. Others will be involved in searching for

weapons to prevent these from entering the prison. Among the dogs there are also those specially trained to detect drugs and weapons and can be used to search even on school premises when necessary.

In the group of dogs there are also those specially trained to find lost persons. In the event that someone, for example, suffering from Alzheimer's gets lost, these dogs would be able to conduct a

search to find the missing person. The government is very pleased with the arrival of these special dogs. This new set of dogs brings the total number of specially trained police dogs to 12. Each dog will begin a regimen of special training with their assigned "partner" to equip them to perform the special duties of ensuring the security and tranquility here on the island.

Entrepreneurship to be part of school curriculum

ORANJESTAD -- The government of Aruba is intent on introducing "entrepreneurship" in an innovative manner into the curriculum of our secondary schools. Very soon secondary school children will be introduced to the techniques of how to establish and operate a business on Aruba. This is an innovative and attractive program that is expected to make an impact in the community.

To introduce the program to the leaders of the different secondary schools, the Minister of Education and Min-

ister of Economic Affairs met on Thursday with all heads of these schools in City Hall. The Minister of Education explained that introduction of the program will entail less than one hour class and that they expect some very creative results which ultimately will have a significant impact on our community.

The project is an opportunity for young people to use their creativity and learn in groups which will contribute to the civic formation of our youth. The government is of the opinion that through this

program our young people will be able to present a project that would have added value to themselves and to the community of Aruba. The organizers and government officials believe that it is never too soon to inform our young people about what is involved in a small or medium size business in our country. These are the businesses that are the backbone of our economy which account for a major portion of our Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

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Nelida Gonzales is the lucky winner of Afls. 500,000 of Aruba's Mini Mega Lottery



After a few weeks of suspense, finally the winner of the Afls. 500,000 of the Aruba's Mini Mega Lottery has come forward. Rubiano Nelida Gonzalez, 24, went to the Loto offices to claim her check. She was accompanied by her mother. The winning numbers: 17, 19, 25, 30 and Mega Ball 10.

"People always say that it is very difficult to win the

Lotto, almost imposible, but obviously that is not the case," were the happy words of Nelida.

She already started looking around for her dream-house. "I will also enjoy some shopping," she stated with a smiling face.

Photo shows a smiling Nelida Gonzalez with her check of Afls. 500,000.

Shana Tovah! A sweet and prosperous Jewish New Year to all

Aruba's Jewish community and the congregation of the Temple Beth Israel join their brethren around the world in welcoming the year 5773 tomorrow evening, with the blowing of the shofar. Service will be conducted at the synagogue located at Adrian Lacle Boulevard at 6:30 PM. Visitors are welcome. Those attending are asked to bring a dairy dish to share with the congregation after the services.

Rosh Hashanah, "the head of the year," is a celebration of the creation of the world and is observed on the first day of Tishrei, the seventh month of the Hebrew calendar. It also marks a ten-day period of spiritual and moral reflection called Aseret Yemei Teshuva which culminates in the holiest day of the year, Yom Kippur. This time is commonly referred to as Yamim Noraim, "Days of Awe." Yom Kippur, "The Day of Atonement," is a day of fasting, prayer and acknowledging one's misdeeds of the past year before the Lord. On Rosh Hashanah the three "Books of Account" are opened, and the names of the righteous are immediately in-

scribed. Those who have not quite achieved this state in their every day life are given ten days to repent and attain righteousness.

In Jewish liturgy Rosh Hashanah is also described as "the day of judgment" Yom ha-Din and "the day of remembrance" Yom ha-Zikkaron. In the earliest times the Hebrew year began in autumn with the opening of the economic year. There followed in regular succession the seasons of seed-sowing, growth and ripening of the corn, and harvest. The traditional holiday marking the harvest, Sukkot, which honors the Lord protecting the Jews as they wandered in the desert in search of the Promised Land, follows on the heels of Yom Kippur. This year it begins at sunset on Monday, October 1.

The holiday schedule of services for High Holy Days 5773 are:

Sunday, Sept 16 at 6:30 PM
Monday, Sept 17: 9:00 am,



12:00 pm Tashlij, and 6:30 pm, Tuesday, Sept 18: 9:00am
Yom Kippur Observance:
Tuesday, Sept 25: 6:30 pm Kol Nidre
Wednesday, Sept 26: 9:00 am, 12:00 pm Yizcor and 5:00 pm

Those attending the breaking of the fast on Wednesday, September 26 are asked to bring a dairy dish for the community to share. For more information about Holiday services call 592-3272.

by Rosalie Klein

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Besides these great interest rates one has the option to start paying in January 2013 or choosing an I-pad or 30% discount on the car insurance. And there's more: All car and motorcycle dealers will also be offering their specials and re-



duced prices.

Well-known local band Delicious will be at hand to add to the fun of all those purchasing their new car today. For the kids there will be a Kids Corner and Dino Jump and lots more. Kiwanis Club will take care of delicious sandwiches for all wishing to grab a bite. All funds will go to a good cause.

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TGI Friday's Pasta Festival in full swing!



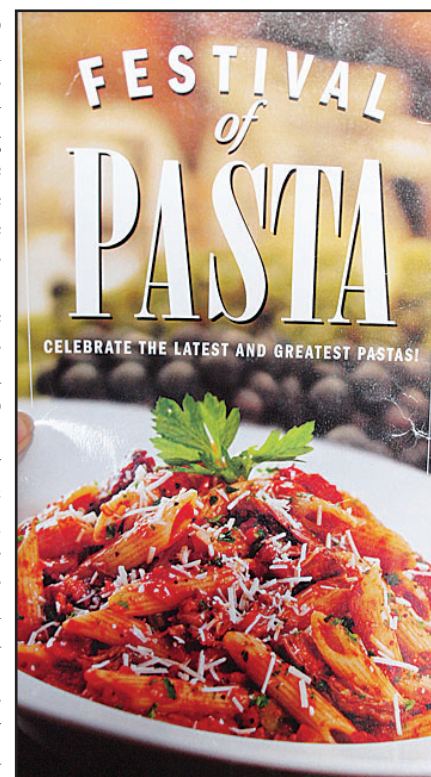
Seafood linguini



TGI Friday's in the Paseo Herencia Mall in Palm Beach was proud to unveil their attractive new outdoor terrace, allowing patrons to fully enjoy the Aruba's balmy trade winds, will sampling the selection from their special Pasta Festival menu.

For a limited time only, Chef Luis is whipping up six varied and healthy pasta dishes to appeal to all tastes. Choose from Spicy Seafood Linguini, Garlic Chicken Primavera, Bistro Shrimp and Asparagus Pasta, Pasta Putanesca, Rigatoni with Brisket Bolognese, and Wild Mushroom Farfale. Island media were invited to admire the lovely new surroundings and sample the special low-fat menu that is rich with flavor and fresh vegetables.

The interior of TGI Friday's has also been renovated to provide a cozier space to enjoy their famous food. TGI Friday's opens every day at noon for lunch, dinner and late night snacking; the terrace is open from 6:00 PM. A perfect place to catch a game on the giant screen and enjoy Monday through Friday Happy Hour from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, when



beer, wine and house drinks are only \$3. On Sundays, kids eat for free.

TGI Friday's has a full and diverse menu; well known for their finger foods, hamburgers and ribs, they now have a tasty pasta menu to please all the family. They are open until 11:00 PM during the week and midnight on the weekends. Check out special offers and what's new on their Facebook Page.

by Rosalie Klein

No more wind turbines for Noord Holland!

-- Even Noord-Holland considers wind turbines damaging to their landscape. Imagine the tremendous negative influence they will have on the beautiful view of Aruba's landscape...this tourism island. The planned turbines here will be visible even from the Palm Beach.

The Dutch province of Noord-Holland reports being fed up with the mega wind turbines and their damaging effect on the view of the landscape. Before the end of this year, Noord-Holland has declared that they are putting a total stop to any and every new wind turbine erected on land. This will put an end to 20 planned projects of wind turbines, according to a recent publication in the popular De Telegraaf newspaper.

Dutch deputy, Jaap Bond of the CDA political party with the environment and sustainable energy under his watch, made this declaration to the Telegraaf news reporter. Our point of view is very clear to those thinking on building more industrial wind turbines, said Bond.

Noord-Holland is of the opinion that these giant and powerful wind turbines are not compatible to nature, they seriously detract and obliterate the beauty of nature. During the month of July of this year, they already put a stop for 6 months of any sort of permit for the construction of industrial wind parks. Jaap Bond intends to prolong and expand that prohibition indefinitely even before the end of the six month period expires.

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This is a discipline mainly practiced in windless areas. She did try out RS:X on Merritt Island at Cape Canaveral, Florida in 2010, but did not like it, so did not pursue it any further. Moreover, her height and weight are in excess of the required dimensions."

Sarah-Quita and her family,

as well as sports newscasters around the globe, feel it is sufficient accomplishment that she has maintained her PWA World Champion title for five consecutive years, without ever losing a single heat. She has never neglected her studies for windsurfing, and gave the sport a bit over a year as a sole

pursuit between graduation and university. Though it will always be an important part of her life, she hopes to continue to present a positive role-model to island youngsters by demonstrating that schooling is just as important as sports.

by Rosalie Klein

Eruptions weaken at Guatemala's Volcano of Fire

GUATEMALA CITY (AFP) - Eruptions at Guatemala's Volcano of Fire weakened yesterday, one day after powerful blasts sent columns of smoke and ash high into the sky and forced authorities to order a mass evacuation.

The number and intensity of eruptions had dropped to the point that emergency officials

said they could allow some of the people ordered to flee on Thursday to return home.

Authorities said they evacuated about one-third of the 33,000 area residents that they were prepared to shelter if eruptions intensified.

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Obama vows to 'stand fast' as anti-US violence spreads

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama vowed yesterday to "stand fast" against spreading anti-US violence raging in the Arab world, as he mourned four Americans slain in Libya after their remains were flown home.

Four transfer caskets draped in American flags were slowly borne from the belly of a giant C-17 transport plane by slow-walking Marines in dress uniforms, and set down in a hangar for a heart-rending homecoming.

US ambassador Chris Stevens and the three other Americans died on Tuesday when a mob furious over an anti-Muslim film made on US soil torched the American consulate in Benghazi, part of a region-wide eruption of violence.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends," Obama said, quoting the Bible as he honored four "American patriots" who he said embodied national qualities of courage, hope and idealism.

"Their sacrifice will never be forgotten, we will bring to justice those who took them from us. We will stand fast against the violence on our diplomatic missions," Obama said at Andrews Air Force base outside Washington.

A furious wave of anti-American violence ripped

across the Middle East and North Africa yesterday with a crowd invading the US embassy compound in Tunis, and guards at the US embassy in Khartoum firing warning shots at protesters.

Fresh violence erupted in Yemen and Cairo and protests took place in Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, Kashmir, Pakistan, Iraq, Israel and the Gaza Strip, Morocco, Syria, Kuwait, Nigeria and Kenya.

Five people were killed and dozens injured in yesterday's violence alone.

Obama said that the "awful" loss and terrible images may cause some to question the dangerous work of US diplomats abroad, but argued that America must not abandon its global mission to spread dignity and freedom.

"Even as voices of suspicion and mistrust seek to divide countries and cultures from one another, the United States of America will never retreat from the world," he vowed.

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton told grieving relatives of Stevens, information officer Sean Smith and former navy seals Tyrone Woods and Glen Doherty that the killings dishonored the spirit of the Arab Spring.

"The people of Egypt, Libya, Yemen, and Tunisia did not trade the tyranny of a dic-

tator for the tyranny of a mob," she said.

US military and intelligence agencies have already launched a manhunt in Libya for the militants who staged the assault on the consulate in Benghazi.

"There's an intense focus" on finding the attackers, a US defense official, who spoke on

in Benghazi, which officials in Libya are now blaming on Al-Qaeda.

Britain yesterday condemned "in the strongest possible terms" an attack on the British and German embassies in Khartoum by protesters.

Foreign Secretary William Hague said his government had

Hague said in a statement.

"It is the responsibility of the Sudanese authorities to ensure that effective protection is provided to diplomatic premises at all times."

Hague added that none of its embassy staff were injured in the attack and that the protesters had not attempted to gain access to the British embassy building.

Police fired tear gas to disperse some 5,000 protesters from the compound. The German flag was torn down and replaced with a black Islamist one, an AFP reporter said.

Britain has warned British nationals abroad to avoid demonstrations in response to the violent protests.

In Berlin, German Foreign Minister Guido Westerwelle condemned the "hate video" mocking the Prophet Mohammed, reportedly made by a California-based Coptic Christian, but said it was no excuse for an attack on the embassy.

The United Nations yesterday evacuated its expatriate staff from Benghazi for security reasons, a spokeswoman for the UN Support Mission in Libya said.

The European Union yesterday urged leaders in Arab and Muslim countries to "call immediately for peace and restraint" amid the violent protests.



KHARTOUM : Smoke billows from the US embassy in the Sudanese capital Khartoum during the protest.
(AFP PHOTO)

condition of anonymity, told AFP.

The State Department was meanwhile working with nations in the Middle East and North Africa to boost security at its missions.

In Yemen and Libya, teams of US Marines flew into to boost security.

Officials said Obama is being repeatedly briefed on the worsening security situation around US posts in the Middle East and elsewhere, and was mounting a strong diplomatic push with key regional leaders to restore calm.

He has spoken personally to the leaders of Yemen, Libya and Egypt and the White House said he sent a personal message to Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan, asking him to speak out against the violence.

The White House also denied a report in Britain's Independent newspaper that had advance warning of the attack

raised "serious concerns" with Sudan's ambassador to London after some 5,000 protesters stormed the compound housing the embassies and torched the German mission.

"I condemn in the strongest possible terms today's attack and call on the Sudanese authorities to ensure that those involved are brought to justice,"



Lebanese men ransack US fastfood chain Kentucky Fried Chicken in Tripoli, Lebanon.



A policeman stands next to a man preparing to extinguish the fire that was started by protesters at the German embassy in Khartoum, Sudan. September 14, 2012.
(AFP PHOTO)

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S.Africa vows clampdown on unrest amid mine closures

JOHANNESBURG (AFP) - South Africa yesterday announced a crackdown on growing mining unrest as militant protests forced a wave of crippling mine closures in the world's top platinum producing country.

The government sounded the alarm on the economic fallout of the turmoil as leading platinum producer Aquarius

Platinum and top ferrochrome company Xstrata Alloys each closed mines in the strife-hit Rustenburg region.

"Our government will not tolerate these acts any further," Justice Minister Jeff Radebe told journalists.

The clampdown will target illegal gatherings and the carrying of weapons as thousands of miners, many armed with

spears and machetes, mobilise at shuttered mines with fiery threats of violence and of further strike action. The move was the government's boldest since police shot dead 34 protesters last month at Lonmin's crippled platinum mine.

Officers used stun grenades to disperse 1,500 protesters at Aquarius and arrested seven people shortly after the an-

nouncement.

The unrest has snowballed with workers downing tools at other mines since Lonmin's strike exploded into bloodshed.

Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan warned that the unrest, if unchecked, would hit already slowing economic growth and raise joblessness, while the violence would damage investor confidence.

Ukrainian president lashed over Tymoshenko case

YALTA, The Ukraine (AFP) - Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich faced harsh criticism at an international conference yesterday over the jailing of ex-prime minister Yulia Tymoshenko.

Ukraine's hopes of EU membership have stalled amid international outrage at the jailing of Yanukovich's political foe Tymoshenko for seven years for abuse of power over an energy deal she signed with Russia as premier.

Critics see the charges as politically motivated after Yanukovich narrowly beat Tymoshenko, who was his arch enemy during the 2004 Orange Revolution pro-democracy movement, in 2010 presidential polls.

Top European politicians raised the issue yesterday at talks with Yanukovich as he presided over a conference of Yalta European Strategy, an international organisation.

Swedish Foreign Minister Carl Bildt, European Parliament Foreign Affairs Committee Chair Elmar Brok and the Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy Stefan Fule met Yanukovich.

In a joint statement they criticised the convictions of Tymoshenko and her former interior minister in "trials which did not respect international standards as regards fair, transparent and independent legal process".

"The issue of selective justice needs to be addressed in order to move ahead to a new level of our relations through the Association Agreement," the three officials said in their joint statement.

They also stressed that Yanukovich must ensure October 28 parliamentary polls are fair, criticising the fact Tymoshenko is unable to stand.

Former US secretary of state Condoleezza Rice also raised the case with Yanukovich, warning that "the trial and imprisonment of Yulia Tymoshenko has caused concern. The case is being closely monitored."

Tymoshenko has complained of ill treatment in detention and is currently being treated for back problems in a civilian hospital. She is now going on trial on fresh charges of embezzlement and tax evasion.



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Crack cocaine wreaks havoc in Rio shantytown



RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - Firecrackers and sporadic gunfire greeted the police-escorted social workers as they drove into northern Rio's Jacarezinho shantytown, home to a large population of crack cocaine addicts.

With one million users, Brazil is the world's largest market for crack, a highly addictive cocaine derivative which is wreaking havoc in impoverished slums, according to a study by the Federal

University of Sao Paulo (UNIFESP).

Under a bridge, a group of Jacarezinho addicts fled, hurling stones at the approaching psychologists and social workers, escorted by gun-toting policemen.

Across the street, two of the social workers awoke a 10-year-old boy sleeping on the sidewalk and bundled him into a waiting van that took him to a municipal shelter.

"Leave me alone. You are

hurting me," the boy screamed. "When they wake up, they experience physical withdrawal symptoms and are often aggressive. You must give them water as well as sweet and salty foods to pep them up," said team leader Claudio Reis.

"It's useless. They have a cup of coffee, take a bath and come back," said one bystander as he watched the scene in this trash-strewn neighborhood, where rickety shacks have been erected under an elevated metro line.

In less than an hour, the convoy of municipal and police vehicles picked up 51 addicts, including five minors. Their shacks were torn down and their belongings dumped in a garbage truck.

Among those picked up was 41-year-old addict Maria Rosalia, barefoot and wearing a short and dirty T-shirt.

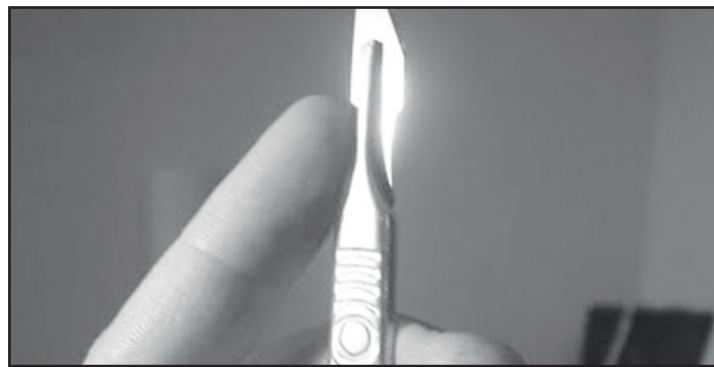
"I only feel good with crack....It is my husband's fault. He stabbed me. I ran away and ended up in the street. I began smoking crack," the mother of five explained. "I hope to see my children again one day."

Last December, Health Minister Alexandre Padilha warned that the country was facing "a crack epidemic" and the government responded with a \$2.2 billion plan focusing on prevention, care and repression.

The UNIFESP study said Brazil, where rising prosperity has expanded the middle class, trails only the United States in terms of total use of cocaine and derivatives, with 20 percent of global consumption.

Brazil, the world's sixth largest economy, has 2.8 million consumers, compared with 4.1 million for the United States.

Charges over genital mutilation of girls in Australia



SYDNEY (AFP) - Many cases of female genital mutilation likely go unreported in Australia, a state minister said Friday after four people were charged over the alleged circumcision of two girls aged 6 and 7.

Two men and two women were charged over their involvement in the alleged mutilation of the girls in Sydney homes over the past 18 months.

New South Wales state Minister for Family and Community Services Pru Goward said the practice was difficult to detect.

"The pretext that is often used is that it's a religious custom, and it wouldn't be the first time that religion has been used to mutilate or damage women," she told ABC radio.

Goward said it was likely that many cases in New South

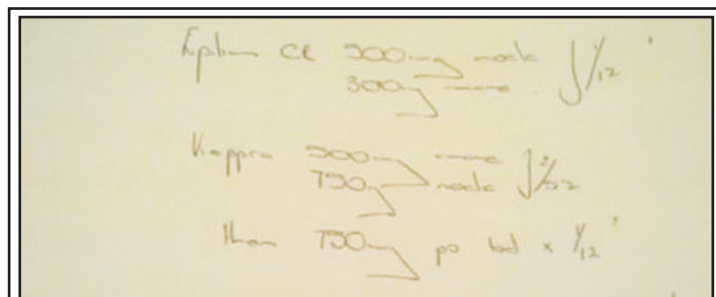
Wales, the country's most populous state, went unreported.

A 68-year-old retired female nurse who allegedly carried out the offences was charged in what is thought to be the first time that anyone has faced the law over the offence since legislation was introduced in NSW in 1994.

A 56-year-old Sydney sheik, reportedly from a community that follows the Dawoodi Bohra sub-sect of Islam, was charged with being an accessory after the fact and of hindering the police investigation.

Two other people, a man and a woman, were also charged. Police would not say whether they were the girls' parents.

Police, who were alerted after an anonymous tip-off, have alleged that the mutilation was done for cultural reasons.



MUMBAI (AFP)- More than 100 doctors across Maharashtra state met last week and found handwriting legibility to be one of the most alarming issues they faced. "Due to lack of clarity in doctors' written prescriptions, the number of deaths caused in India and internationally are on a shocking rise," a statement from the group's president Dr Sunita Dube said, without providing details. She now has government backing for the drive after writing to the state health minister, explaining that many chemists, especially in smaller Indian towns and villages, are unable to understand drug prescriptions. Owing to misinterpretation, "an incorrect drug is administered to the patient which a lot of times proves fatal or nearly fatal", Dube wrote.

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iPhone 5 preorders indicate hot demand



Advance orders for Apple's new iPhone began on Friday. And the rush of iPhone 5 preorders online have pushed back shipping dates at Apple and wireless carriers for at least two weeks.

The new iPhone has a rich four-inch (10-centimeter) display prime for the red-hot smartphone market, in which screen size is a key factor for buyers, according to Nielsen senior vice president Jeff Wender.

Pricing for US customers will start at \$199 with a two-year telecom service contract.

Apple marketing chief Phil

Schiller said the taller iPhone nestles in one's palm to naturally align with thumbs and works on the faster mobile Internet networks known as LTE.

The new device features Apple's own new A6 processor, which according to Schiller doubles the speed for loading Web graphics.

"The primary purchase drivers for smartphones are price, features, operating system, apps and screen size," Wender said during an iPhone 5 hands-on session. "Apple addressed all those key drivers today in spades."

Battery life, a key complaint of smartphone users, is extended to eight hours with mobile phone and browsing and 10 hours if Wi-Fi connections are used.

Apple also customized a sophisticated mapping program, upgraded its voice-activated assistant known as Siri and more tightly integrated Facebook.

Analysts expect Apple to sell tens of millions of iPhone 5 models in the coming months.

An iPhone change with the potential to irk fans is a new "Lightning" connector to replace 30-pin connections, the piece that connects devices to computers, power outlets or docking stations.

Apple will sell adaptors for plugging new generation iPhone and iPod touch devices into accessories already owned, such as stereo speakers or car sound systems.

Apple is widely expected to launch a smaller version of its market-leading iPad tablet computer later this year.



KAMPALA, Uganda (AFP) — A team of scientists has identified a new species of monkey in central Africa that had been known to the locals simply as *lesula*, a medium-sized, slender animal that looks similar to an owl-faced monkey that was already known to scientists. This is only the second time in the past 28 years that a previously unknown species of monkey has been identified, the scientists said, highlighting the importance of preserving biodiversity in a part of central Africa where forests are threatened by illegal logging. Scientists began investigating in June 2007, when researchers saw a young female monkey of unknown species at the home of a school director. The new monkey was not quite similar to the clearly owl-faced *Cercopithecus hamlyni*, but researchers say the two are close relatives. Named now as the *Cercopithecus lomamiensis*, they have a particular behavior and way of life. As Dr. Gilbert pointed out, "We know right now that they appear to spend a lot of time on the ground and that's interesting because for the all group of monkeys, there is not a lot of them who spend that lot of time in the ground, most of them are strictly tree-living."

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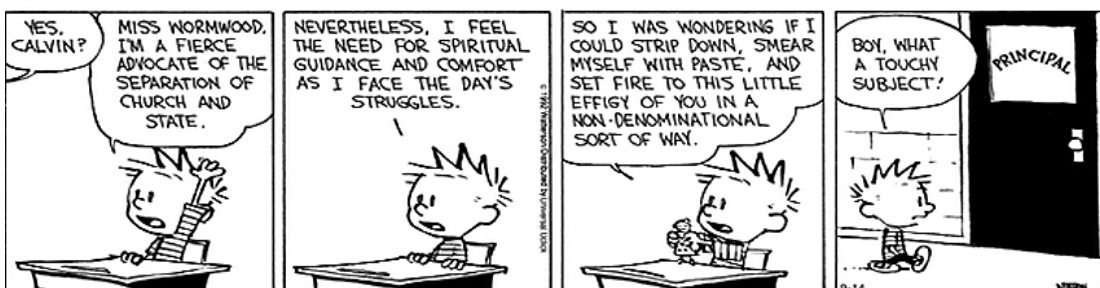
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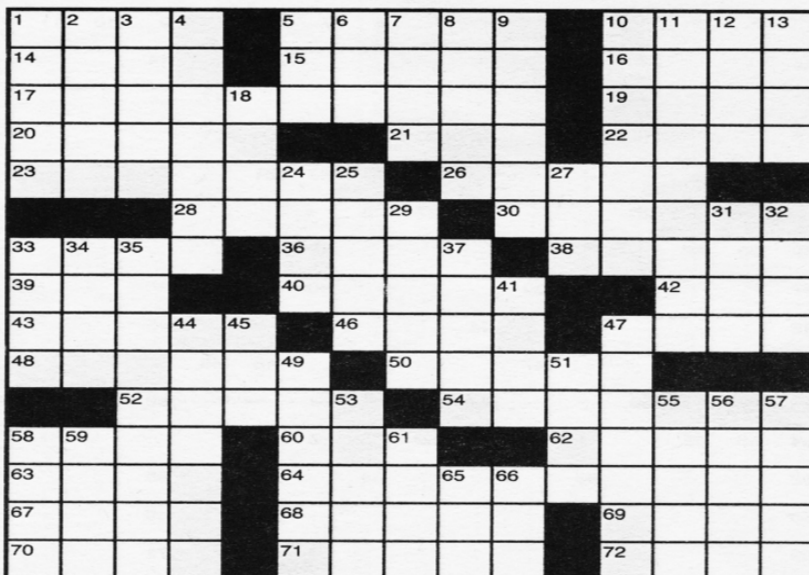
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19. Stiffly neat
20. Tennis great
21. Jupiter and Mars, to Caesar
22. Members of the bar: abbr.
23. Touring cars of yore
26. Hair-raising
28. "Quo ___?"
30. Frameworks
33. Dip out water
36. Flamenco accolades
38. Raceabout
39. Uris hero
40. Shabby, as old clothes
42. Harem room
43. Bugged down
46. Actress Allgood
47. Cut from the same cloth
48. Safety ___
50. Yarns
52. Act like arbutus
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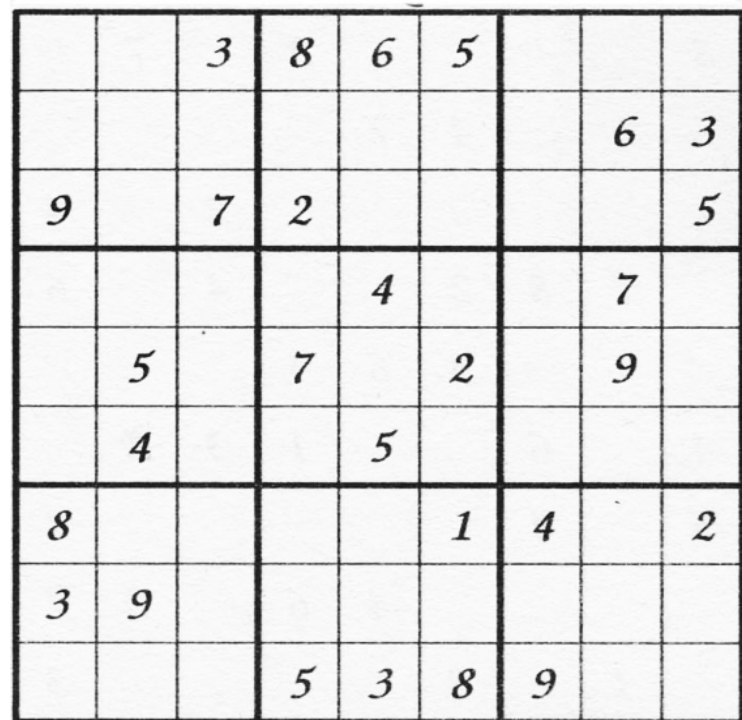
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2. Flavoring plant
3. Canvas carryalls
4. Give the green light
5. "Now I ___ me down..."
6. Cub Scout, e.g.
7. Bone dry
8. Habits
9. Capers
10. Habilidad
11. Response to a lecher,
12. Discharge
13. Ervin and Houston
18. "___ way to go!"
24. Potpourri's point
25. Howells's Lapham
27. Exclamations of pleasure
29. ___ ease (be a good host)
31. Golden or Garden State city
32. Memorial Arch, e.g.
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34. Song from a diva
35. Like rock-bottom prices
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41. Where Bill met Hillary
44. Chores
45. Female hart
47. Stupid
49. Fishing attachment
51. First name in daredevils
53. Salad days
55. "Peter and the Wolf" duck
56. Put in office
57. Subjects of Harold Bluetooth
58. First name in lingerie
59. Horizontal timber
61. Bows
65. Driver's aid
66. Up to now



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**Finance****Committee: 100 countries back tighter banking supervision**

GENEVA (AFP) - More than 100 countries support key changes to international bank regulation principles as a result of the global financial crisis, the Basel Committee of banking supervisory authorities said yesterday.

"Drawing on lessons learnt during the financial crisis that began in 2007, the revised Core Principles represent a significant step forward" from previous lists of principles drawn up by Basel Committees in 2006, the committee said in a statement.

Banking supervisors and central bankers representing more than 100 countries, who had gathered in Istanbul on Thursday and Friday for an international conference, endorsed the revised set of 29 core principles, the committee said.

The revisions addressed "many of the significant risk management weaknesses and other vulnerabilities highlighted in the financial crisis," the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) explained.

The principles were changed to among other things to highlight the need for more intense supervision of systemically important banks, for supervisors to help identify, analyse and take preemptive action to address systemic risk and for more effective crisis management.

"Supervisors and banks have made considerable strides in strengthening banks risk management and supervisory practices since the onset of the crisis," Basel Committee chairman and head of the Swedish central bank Stefan Ingves said in the statement.

The revisions were made by a group comprising banking supervisors from both member and non-member countries of the Basel Committee, along with regional banking supervisor groups, the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and the Islamic Financial Services Board, the committee said.

While the committee said the changes would help foster

"financial stability globally," it acknowledged that some of the required measures involved such big steps that "supervisory authorities may need to make their transition ... over time."

White House warns 'fiscal cliff' would harm US security

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The White House warned yesterday that budget cuts scheduled to take effect on January 2 under the "fiscal cliff" austerity law would deeply damage the US economy and national security.

The White House's Office of Management and Budget said the cuts could impinge on military preparedness, reduce spending on education, law enforcement and health care for many, and force cutbacks to air traffic control.

In a report on the 2012 Sequestration Transparency Act, the OMB said that the \$109 billion in mandated spending reductions -- called sequestrations -- for next year alone would have a sharp effect immediately if not changed.

"While the Department of Defense would be able to shift funds to ensure war fighting and critical military readiness capabilities were not degraded,

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States and Britain have signed a pact aimed at helping Washington police tax avoidance by Americans holding bank accounts in Britain, the US Treasury announced yesterday.

The treaty, part of a global effort by the US to overcome offshore tax avoidance by US citizens, requires banks in Britain to report to US authorities the data on accounts held by Americans.

Meanwhile banks in the United States will have to report to British authorities on the accounts their nationals hold.

The effort falls under the 2010 US legislation known as the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act, set to empower US authorities to pursue and collect information on foreign accounts held by US citizens and businesses.

The effort has led to a rise in prosecutions of Americans for hiding assets and income offshore from tax authorities.

The new treaty, the Treasury Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy said, is based on a model developed with France, Germany, Italy and Spain as well as Britain, with the aim of having harmonized standards and approaches.



Disabled people protest against cuts in their allowances in front of the Finance Ministry in Athens. Eurogroup finance ministers converged yesterday around a growing consensus to give Athens "more time" to meet economic targets under its delayed bailout, although hardliners insisted there would be any "extra money".

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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CHINA, HONG KONG : A man sits in the shade of his umbrella in front of high rise buildings in Hong Kong on September 14, 2012. Hong Kong's Monetary Authority warned September 14 that the loosening of monetary policy in the US could lead to overheating in the territory's already hot property sector. AFP PHOTO)

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YouTube blocks anti-Islam video in India: Google

NEW DELHI (AFP) - Video-sharing website YouTube has blocked access in India to an anti-Islam film that surfaced in the United States and has since sparked deadly protests in the Muslim world, Google said on Friday.

US-based search engine Google, which owns YouTube, did not say whether it acted on its own or was asked to remove the content by the Indian government.

"We do, at times, block content in response to a court order or other valid legal process. We have blocked access to the YouTube page in the Indian domain," a Google executive, who asked not to be named, told AFP.

YouTube had earlier this week offered to "temporarily" restrict access to the film in Libya and Egypt, the hotbed of protests, because of the "very

difficult situation" in both the countries.

Pakistan and Afghanistan have already blocked access to the movie, which was condemned as "inhuman" and "provocative".

Indonesia, where most of the 240 million population practise a moderate form of Islam, has also demanded that YouTube remove the film from its website.

Protesters have targeted US embassies for the film, which portrays followers of the Islamic faith as immoral and gratuitously violent.

Four people died in the Yemeni capital Sanaa on Thursday as violence flared outside US embassies over the low-budget film.

India is home to a Muslim population estimated at about 150 million, according to census data.

Kathy Bates recovering from double mastectomy



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - "Misery" and "Titanic" star Kathy Bates revealed Thursday that she has had a double mastectomy after being diagnosed with breast cancer, insisting she is beating cancer for the second time.

Bates, who was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2003, had been silent on Twitter

since May, after her show "Harry's Law" was canceled by NBC television.

"Hey All, sorry for the long silence. I was diagnosed with breast cancer 2 months ago & am recovering from a double mastectomy," she tweeted.

"I don't miss my breasts as much as I miss Harry's Law. ;-) Thanks for all the sweet

British royals outraged by Kate topless photos

LONDON (AFP) - Prince William and his wife Catherine reacted with fury Friday after a French magazine printed topless photos of her, saying it evoked painful memories of press harassment of William's mother Diana.

The young British royals, who are currently in Malaysia, were consulting lawyers over what they called a "grotesque" breach of privacy by the French version of Closer magazine, palace officials said.

But the editor of the magazine said the photographs of the former Kate Middleton, taken while on holiday in the south of France, were "not in the least shocking" and said she was offering them for sale around the world.

The grainy pictures show Catherine, 30, wearing just the bottoms of a black and white bikini and having suncream



rubbed on to her backside by William by the side of a swimming pool.

The incident "turns the clock back 15 years," one source said, referring to the intense media attention on Diana, Princess of Wales, who died in a car crash while fleeing paparazzi in Paris in 1997.

British Prime Minister David Cameron's spokesman said the royal couple were "entitled to their privacy." A source close to Cameron said he "echoes the sadness of the palace".

Closer magazine said the snaps were taken on the terrace of the Autet Chateau in Provence, southern France, where William and Catherine were said to have spent time last week before leaving for southeast Asia and the Pacific.

The magazine said the chateau is owned by Viscount

Linley, the son of the queen's late sister Princess Margaret.

The pictures were sure to create a worldwide media frenzy and further embarrass the royal family, already reeling from the recent publication of nude photos of William's brother Harry.

Last month a US celebrity gossip website published grainy camera-phone pictures of William's brother Harry cavorting naked with a mystery woman during a wild party in a Las Vegas hotel suite.

Harry, the third in line to the throne and a military helicopter pilot, has since been deployed to Afghanistan for a second tour of duty.

Britain's younger royals are touring the globe throughout 2012 as part of celebrations marking the 60-year reign of William's grandmother, Queen Elizabeth II.

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Eat like a local at The Queen's restaurant at Palm Beach Plaza



Varella, Luisa and the next generation of chef



Keshi Yena with plaintains, vegetables and pica

An elegant décor with a breezy terrace overlooking Palm Beach welcomes guests to Varella Innocencia's very popular restaurant showcasing authentic local cuisine: The Queen's.

They may have moved from Oranjestad to hipper new digs in Palm Beach Plaza, but the food and prices are strictly native, which is what first won this charming eatery their loyal clientele. Varella's mom, Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, acknowledged on the menu with items such as "Carni Stoba di Mamachi"- "Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak, along with local delicacies like Keshi Yena - "Full Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lends that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

One of the distinctions of

Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.)

Seafood main courses range from \$14 for Catch of the Day Aruban Style to \$18 for shrimp and \$20 for a mixed seafood platter with shrimp, fish, squid, scallops and mussels. Meat dishes such as BBQ Chicken and Ribs or Grilled Tenderloin range from \$12 to \$16, each including a choice of 2 side dishes; all quite yummy and bargain-priced to boot!

The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food, without a doubt, this is the way to truly eat like a local. They are open from 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM, daily, offering indoor and outdoor dining. Aside from an extensive menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't forget to ask about what isn't on the menu!



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Golf: Veteran Bland leads Italian Open after late charge

TURIN (AFP) - English 39-year-old veteran Richard Bland put himself in contention for a first European Tour title when a late birdie charge gave him a one-shot lead at the midway point of the Italian Open on Friday.

Bland carded a six under par 66 for the second round to stand at 12 under with France's Gregory Bourdy, Spaniard Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano, South Africa's Garth Mulroy and Scot Marc Warren all one shot back.

Bland admitted that he needs a good performance this weekend to help retain his Tour place -- he currently lies 126th on The Race to Dubai, with only the top 115 keeping their cards.

"I've had a tough couple of years, but that's behind me now and I'm just trying to move forward and improve every day," said Bland who birdied the last three holes.

"There's still 36 holes to go - all it is right now is a great position. There are great players behind me, it's low scoring, so two 70s isn't



going to get it done."

There were solid performances from members of Europe's Ryder Cup team taking part in the Italian Open.

Martin Kaymer's 66 took him to eight under - just three behind the leaders - while Francesco Molinari is only one stroke further back after a 69.

Belgium's Nicolas Colsaerts compiled a 67 to advance to six under for the week, while there was a second straight 70 put Ryder Cup skipper Jose Maria Olazabal.



PARIS : Paris Saint-Germain's Brazilian midfielder Nene (R) vies with Toulouse's Tunisian defender Aymen Abdennour during the French L1 football match Paris PSG vs Toulouse TFC, on September 14, 2012 at the Parc des Princes stadium in Paris.

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Commisioner of the tournament Hansel Pineda



MVP Player Errol Corpus swearing oath of sportsmanship

The much anticipated basketball tournament officially commenced last Sunday, September 9, 2012 at Frans Figaroa Stadium. Athletes started coming in the Stadium early morning excited to showcase their basketball talents. The fans, mostly Filipinos started pouring in at 9:15 A.M. looking forward to watching their favorite teams play.

The very-talented, petite and pretty Jaja Preche gave a beautiful acapella rendition of "Aruba Dushi Tera," Aruba's National Anthem and belted out a glorious version of "Lupang Hinirang," the Philippine national Anthem, to the applause of all attendees.

Around 9:45 A.M. the defending champions, D'Barkadas paraded inside the court followed by seven other teams, namely: Bronxxbros Wild Boyz, Matadera Boys, Heads-up Big Lottery, Super Food, Manila Express, Hyatt and TN2 Barangay Hall. The Team captains escorted their respective muses. Supporters cheering as the teams walked past the bleachers.

Philippine Honorary Consul of Aruba, Ami Henriquez-Mendez opened her speech with a nice history of basketball and ended with encouraging the players to focus on sportsmanship, harmony



Ami Henriquez-Mendez - Honorary Consul of the Philippine

and fun.

The tournament was officially opened by reigning Commissioner Hansel Pineda, who spoke in Tagalog, the native dialect of the Filipinos.

As a Filipino tradition, occasions like this, an invocation prayer is always in order. Led by Filipino Pastor, Roel Tangco, he asked the Lord for guidance, safety of the players and wisdom.

The formalities ended with the official ball toss by Hon. Consul Henriquez assisted by Pastor R. Tangco. The lady referees presided over the first game that featured the physical Manila Express and the young and athletic Heads-up Big Lottery.

Boxing: Martinez vows to make Chavez suffer



Undefeated WBC middleweight champion Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. (L) of Mexico and Sergio Martinez of Argentina

LAS VEGAS (AFP) - WBC champ Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. is in for one of the toughest tests of his career when he defends his title against seasoned-vet Sergio Martinez at the sold-out Thomas and Mack arena today.

The 26-year-old Chavez Jr., who is the son of one of the greatest boxer's in Mexican history by the same name, will be making his fourth defence of the WBC middleweight crown that at one time belonged to Argentina's Martinez.

Chavez (46-0-1, 32 KOs) vowed to not only knock out Martinez but said he would end the 37-year-old's career.

Martinez (49-2-2, 28 KOs) shot back he plans to take his

time cutting down the young champion before seizing his belt back.

"This one will be painful for you," Martinez told Chavez at a news conference. "You will suffer a lot before I knock you out."

The Argentinian also feels disrespected because Chavez (\$3 million) will make more than twice as much as Martinez (\$1.4 million), who grew up in the slums of Buenos Aires.

Martinez is a 2-to-1 favourite to beat the bigger Chavez when they step into the ring at the 19,000-seat stadium.

"It's easy to talk when he is not in front of me," Martinez said of Chavez. "It's very easy to be so violent and say things about me when I was not in front of him. Look at his eyes when he is in front of me. You see the fear."

Martinez said Chavez is profiting off his famous father's reputation.

Said Martinez promoter Lou DiBella, "I've never seen Sergio like this. If Sergio's emotions don't get in the way, it could get real ugly for Chavez."

Chavez Jr said he has carved his own path in the boxing world and his title reign is far from over.

"I can't help that people say that stuff about me," Chavez said. "I am the son and that is who I am. I have proven it in the ring. I have my own story now."



TORONTO -- Edwin Encarnacion reached two offensive milestones with one mighty swing. Encarnacion topped the 100-RBI plateau with his 40th home run. Encarnacion's 40th homer moved him one behind Texas slugger Josh Hamilton, who leads the major leagues with 41. He also hit a three-run shot in a five-run fourth inning as the Blue Jays avoided a three-game sweep. Blue Jays won 8 - from Mariners.



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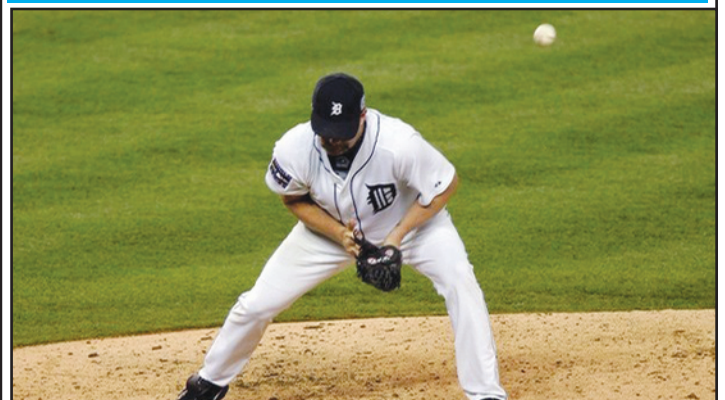
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Football:

UEFA uphold Rapid Vienna punishment

LAUSANNE (AFP) - Austrian club Rapid Vienna have lost their appeal against the punishment imposed by UEFA following incidents at the Europa League play-off first leg against Greek opponents PAOK in Salonika last month.

The €75,000 (\$98,000) fine handed down by the UEFA Control and Disciplinary Body has been upheld by European football's governing body and Rapid must play their next UEFA competition home game behind closed doors.

This sanction did not apply to the play-off second leg between Rapid and PAOK in Vienna on August 30 which Rapid won 3-0 to advance to the Europa League group stage 4-2 on aggregate.

Rapid are also disqualified from a UEFA competition for which they would normally qualify within the next five years, but this ban is suspended for a probationary period of three years.

Some 800 Rapid fans attended the match and were greeted by PAOK supporters outside the stadium who threw rocks, bottles and flares.

Inside the stadium, Rapid spectators threw a number of flares towards the PAOK fans, who responded by throwing them back and a 10-minute battle ensued before police separated the two groups.

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Muhammad Ali receives Liberty Medal



PHILADELPHIA, PA - Former boxing champion Muhammad Ali pose along with his family, daughter Laila Ali, wife Lonnie Ali after being presented with the 2012 Liberty Medal in a ceremony at the National Constitution Center on Independence Mall on Thursday in Historic Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The National Constitution Center's 2012 Liberty Medal ceremony recognized Muhammad Ali as a champion of freedom and a living embodiment of the Constitution who exemplifies everything the award was established to honor. A frail Ali did not speak, but stood with assistance to receive the medal from his daughter, Laila. His wife Lonnie said Ali was honored and humbled to be a beacon of liberty. Since hanging up his gloves in 1981, Ali has traveled extensively on international charitable missions and devoted his time to social causes. Previous medal recipients include rock singer Bono, former South African President Nelson Mandela and former President Jimmy Carter.

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